

Amendment
Application No. 10/797,188
Attorney Docket No. 960045E

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5 and 19-27 are pending. Claim 1 is amended, claims 4 and 6-18 are canceled and new claims 20-27 are added.

The present amendment incorporates the features of allowable claim 4 into claim 1 and cancels the remaining rejected claims. In addition, new claims 20-27 are added which depend from the allowable claims.

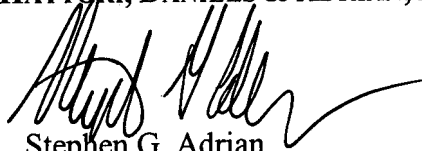
Accordingly, it is believed that the present amendment places the application in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner deem that any further action by applicants would be desirable to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone applicants' undersigned attorney.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,
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Attachment: Petition for Extension of Time